

New safety-alarm locks tighten security

A new safety-alarm system for six exterior doors will more effectively control the flow of personnel entering and leaving the hospital. Installed in early August, the lock and alarm apparatus will be implemented by the end of the month.

New hardware distinguishes these emergency exit doors, and signs, designating when the alarms are operational, will be placed on the six doors in the near future. During non-operational hours, the safety bar attached to the lock will wear a sleeve and will be perpendicular to the alarm box.

The safety-alarm lock will enable personnel to leave the hospital in emergency situations but, people will not be able to enter via these doors. The safety-alarm locks are panic proof and when pressure is exerted on the safety bar, the lock will release and a horn will emit a long-shrill blast. When the alarm is heard, two security guards will be dispatched to the area to investigate the open door.

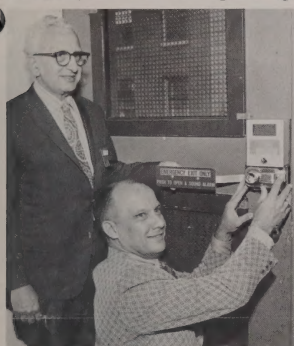
The following hours are effective on a Monday through Friday basis. Between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8:30 p.m., the Baker and Palmer ambulance doors will remain unlocked; the front door of Cancer Research Institute will be open between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.; the shipping and receiving door will remain open between 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.; the door at 170 Pilgrim Road will be unlocked between 6 a.m. and 8:30 p.m., and the door outside of the chapel will be open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday mornings. During holidays and on weekends the doors will remain in the alarm-lock position.

Mr. Charles F. Stone, assistant security manager, will work closely with Mr. Frank Tenore, security manager, and Mr. Joseph Saulnier, supervisor of the guards, in the implementation of this safety-lock system. Mr. Stone, who joined the hospital in early June, assists in the administration of the NEDH security program — investigating incidents and surveying the security and safety needs of the hospital. He was formerly security administrator for Evans Products Company (Grossman Division), Braintree, Mass., where he was responsible for

security at the main office and 128 retail outlets.

Another security system which is relatively new at NEDH involves the use of audio-visual equipment. Cameras are placed outside of the front door and tunnel access routes to Harris Hall. A monitor at the residence director's desk enables her to speak with and see individuals desiring entrance into the residence hall. Another system screens people entering Joslin Clinic's administrative offices at 364 Longwood Avenue.

An audio-visual system is also located at the Deaconess building entrance to the ambulatory service unit for use during evening, night and holiday hours. The camera enables personnel at the nurse's station to determine whether or not a security guard should accompany them to the door. It also allows direct access and saves the individual, needing medical attention, from unnecessarily walking through the main lobby to the Deaconess 2 unit.



Mr. Francis Tenore, security manager, and Mr. Charles Stone, assistant security manager, display the new safety-alarm lock.



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Hyperalimentation improves prognosis for some patients

A patient's prognosis during treatment is far better today because a relatively new form of intravenous feeding prevents starvation. Vital nutrients now can be administered to a patient who can't eat for prolonged periods of time. His or her fight for life is simplified by a process known as hyperalimentation.

In an era of medical and surgical advancement, the facts surrounding nutrition have evolved slowly. Before 1966, when intravenous hyperalimentation was introduced by Dr. Stanley Dudrick of the University of Pennsylvania, a patient who couldn't survive on the standard intravenous solution was fed a liquid diet through a tube placed down his or her throat.

Intravenous hyperalimentation is, in simple terms, a more sophisticated method of nutritional maintenance. It is a comprehensive form of parenteral alimentation (feeding through sources other than the intestines) for the debilitated patient who can't absorb the protein he or she needs for body maintenance.

Protein is the key nutrient required to build tissue. For a short time, any stored fat provides the protein needed by the body. After a patient depletes this source of protein, he or she begins to breakdown body tissues to obtain the necessary calories for functional survival. Once this catabolic reaction begins, a patient is considered to be in a state of starvation.

The sugar contained in the normal or standard intravenous feeding solution supplies only a temporary supply

of caloric energy for the body. Since the concentrated sugar solution used in hyperalimentation is supplemented with amino acids, it furnishes not only the immediate caloric requirements but also imperative body-building tools.

Hyperalimentation solutions are given through the superior vena cava, a large vein located under the collar bone. The flow of blood in the superior vena cava makes rapid dilution of the concentrated sugar and amino acid solution possible. As the nutrients are absorbed by the blood stream, they quickly circulate throughout the body and are utilized by the metabolic systems.

Administration in the traditional arm location is impossible because of the health hazard caused by slow dilution of the concentrated sugar

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AHA celebrates centennial year for hospital schools of nursing

Nineteen seventy-three is the centennial anniversary of hospital schools of nursing. Every school of this type will display their pin and a doll dressed in the school's original uniform at the annual convention of the American Hospital Association, Chicago, in mid August. In the above picture, Miss Ellen D. Howland (r.), director of the NEDH School of Nursing, admires a doll attired in a facsimile of the uniform worn in 1901 by the school's first nursing students. Mrs. Irene Jackson (l.), seamstress for the school, made the uniform for the doll.

Harvard surgical service transfers base to NEDH

Effective July 1, 1973, the (Fifth) Harvard Surgical Service moved its base from Boston City Hospital to the New England Deaconess Hospital. Now called the New England Deaconess Hospital — Harvard Surgical Service, the program trains physicians interested in pursuing a surgical career.

Dr. William V. McDermott, the David W. and David Cheever Professor of Surgery at Harvard Medical School, is responsible for the overall educational program of residents in the NEDH — Harvard Surgical Service. When the residents are on rotation at NEDH, Dr. Cornelius Sedgwick, chairman of the department of surgery, is in charge of their training.

Forty surgery residents are enrolled in this year's program and, of these, approximately six are at the Deaconess during any given rotation. In addition to the Deaconess Hospital, they rotate through: Boston City Hospital, Cambridge City Hospital, Faulkner Hospital, Mt. Auburn Hospital and the Veterans Administration Hospital, Manchester, N. H.

Employee relations department hires two division specialists

Several organizational changes are evident within the employee relations department. Two new division specialists and two employment assistants now offer their talents to the department and some longer-term personnel currently fulfill restructured responsibilities. In addition to its organizational alterations, the department is in the final stages of special renovations in its Baker 1 location.

"The recent changes in the department were made to strengthen and improve the services we render to employees, applicants and manager," explains Mr. Francis Matthews, employee relations manager. He has overall responsibility for the entire department and employee relations matters throughout the hospital. Miss Cathy Allen, secretary to Mr. Matthews, supports him in the fulfillment of these responsibilities.

Miss Lee Pledger and Mr. John Chamberlain are the two new division specialists. Miss Pledger began her responsibilities as employment manager in February and Mr. Chamberlain became benefits and compensation manager in April. They work closely with Mr. Matthews in providing services within their specific areas of responsibility.

A 1964 graduate of Jackson College of Tufts University, Miss Pledger has eight years of personnel experience at New England Mutual Life Insurance Company, Boston, where she was most recently employment supervisor. Miss Pledger is immediate past president of the Women's Personnel Club of Eastern Massachusetts and has been a board member and officer of the Greater Boston Personnel and Guidance Association and the New England Junior College and Employer's Association.

At the Deaconess, Miss Pledger is responsible for managing and coordinating the employment function: recruitment, selection, placement, job posting, employment counseling regarding transfers and exit interviews. Mr. Paul Torres, Mrs. Sheila Stewart and Miss Gail Riggs are assistants in personnel who aid Miss Pledger in the



Mr. John Chamberlain, benefits and compensation manager; Miss Lee Pledger, employment manager, and Mr. Francis Matthews, employee relations department manager, glance up from some work they are reviewing to greet a visitor.

fulfillment of these responsibilities.

Mr. Torres, who has been with the department for more than two years, handles recruitment for general services and clerical help; Mrs. Stewart, who joined NEDH in May, is employment counselor for professional, secretarial and technical services, and Miss Riggs, employment counselor responsible primarily for nurse recruitment, joined the hospital's employ on August 6. Mrs. JoAnn Purdy, receptionist, and Miss Joan Weidenfeld, secretary, continue to provide assistance and support for the employment functions.

Benefits and compensation manager, Mr. Chamberlain graduated from Northeastern University in 1966 with a major in industrial relations. After two years in the U. S. Army, he put his education to work at Foxboro Company, where he was a systems analyst. In addition to his full-time work schedule, Mr. Chamberlain attends Suffolk University's evening law school.

Mr. Chamberlain is responsible for managing the job evaluation and salary programs and the hospital's employee record systems. He also administers the employee benefit plan which includes health and life insurance, workmen's and unemployment compensation, and the tuition assistance program.

Miss Patricia Farr, Miss Gertrude Matthews and Miss Elizabeth Murphy assist Mr. Chamberlain in these responsibilities. Miss Farr supports him in the overall administration of these functions and Miss Matthews is responsible for maintaining the hospital's present employee record system.

Miss Murphy administers health and life insurance plans, processes applications for tuition assistance programs and is in the midst of coding employment data for a new computerized file which will support the Personnel Action and Current Status (PACS) system. After PACS is implemented throughout the hospital, it will provide managers with the means for obtaining up-to-date information concerning employment status.

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solution. A small amount given in a hand or forearm vein would elicit, at least, severe pain and frequently causes subsequent inflammation in the vein.

A physician always inserts the hyperalimentation catheter. Before administration of the intravenous solution begins, a chest x-ray is taken to determine the catheter's position. The liquid solution used in hyperalimentation is an excellent media for the growth of bacteria and fungus and, therefore, the site of catheterization requires frequent surveillance. Intravenous therapy nurses change the tubing daily and the special occlusive dressing every 48 hours.

In February, the NEDH Medical Administrative Board appointed an ad hoc advisory committee to study intravenous hyperalimentation and to propose guidelines for its use at the Deaconess. Representatives from pharmacy, intravenous therapy, pathology, nursing, dietary and the medical and surgical staffs work under the leadership of Dr. George L. Blackburn, chairman of the committee and member of the surgical staff.

The guidelines developed by the ad hoc committee were approved in May, and Mr. Kenneth Gaucher, R.N., intravenous therapy, was appointed to assist and monitor patients on hyperalimentation at the Deaconess. Mr. Gaucher works closely with other intravenous therapy nurses, Dr. Blackburn and Pharmacist Paul O'Connor, who is responsible for mixing hyperalimentation solutions.

Approximately one per cent of the Deaconess patients are fed by the hyperalimentation process. Dr. Blackburn expects this percentage to increase rapidly after the hospital's physicians become more aware of its availability and implementation procedure.

"Hyperalimentation is expensive and contains considerable risk when not properly monitored and supervised," states Dr. Blackburn. "But, it can also be life saving. Certain basic guidelines pertaining to its administration and care are necessary for the proper function."

According to Dr. Blackburn, the New England Deaconess Hospital is evolving as a leader in integrating the use of nutritional services for optimal patient care. The Deaconess is cited in a paper Dr. Blackburn will present this October to the New England Surgical Society and the Society of Academic Surgeons. The paper focuses on the establishment of a nutritional team at a large hospital.

Intravenous hyperalimentation is a major step in the advancement of medical science's knowledge of nutrition. It provides a patient, threatened with the possibility of starvation due to protein deficiency, with the life-sustaining nutrients necessary for body maintenance.

Mr. Myal retires after 27 years at NEDH



Mr. Sigmund Myal, R.N., (ctr.) displays gifts presented to him at his retirement party. Miss Ellen Howland, director of nursing, holds the ship's clock and Director Richard E. Lee admires the seascape painting.

Friends and co-workers greeted Mr. Sigmund Myal, R.N. in the nursing service department, during a special retirement party, June 28, in Harris Hall. At that time, Director Richard E. Lee presented him with a seascape painting entitled "Cape Elizabeth, Maine." It was created by Virginia Vaughn, one of the artists belonging to the Seacoast Area Artists Group which has a rotating exhibit at the Deaconess. Miss Ellen D. Howland, director of nursing, presented Mr. Myal with a Salem ship's clock on behalf of friends in the nursing department and medical staffs.

Mr. Myal was hired, initially, as a weekend employee in 1946 as a specialist in urological nursing. He has worked a forty-hour schedule at the Deaconess since 1962.

An abbreviated resume of Mr. Myal's complex professional life includes positions such as: head nurse

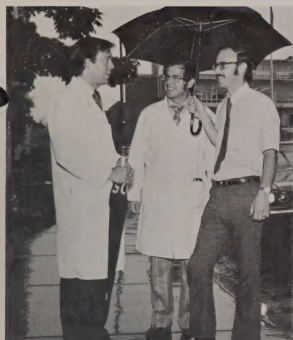
and supervisor at Danvers State Hospital from 1945 until the beginning of 1973; assistant head nurse at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital from 1955 until 1962; operating room nurse at Lynn Hospital for three years; a nurse in the U. S. Army from 1938 to 1945, and a nurse at United Shoe Company from 1945 until 1952. Mr. Myal estimates that he has worked six out of seven days throughout most of his professional life and his sister-in-law estimates he has worked an equivalent of 89 forty-hour work week years!

After attending Northeastern University for three years, Mr. Myal went to McLean Hospital School of Nursing and then to Worcester City Hospital School of Nursing where he obtained his diploma. He took some postgraduate courses in nursing education and chemistry at Simmons College.

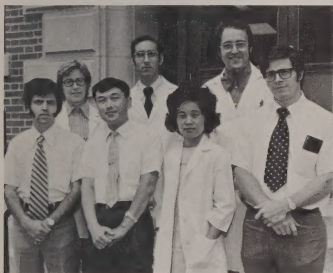
Mr. Myal met his future wife, Marjorie O'Donnell, when he was employed at Salem Hospital from 1934 to 1938. Married in 1938, they have made their home in Salem Willows, Mass., where Mr. Myal was born and raised. Their adopted daughter, Susan, is an insurance and accounting trouble-shooter for a large automobile company. Peter, their adopted son, died in a fire five years ago.

He and his wife and daughter plan to move to Clearwater, Florida where Mr. Myal will probably volunteer some in a local hospital. He hopes to pursue horse riding and develop a rose garden; two dormant interests.

More than 100 physicians enroll in 1973 house officer training program



Rainy weather welcomed house officers to the unpredictable New England climate. Dr. Murray Bern, Vanderbilt University, hematology fellow, converses on the way into the hospital with Dr. Hyman Tannenbaum, McGill University, Canada, and Dr. Stephen Wasserman, University of California at Los Angeles School of Medicine, allergy fellow. Dr. Kenneth Auli, allergy fellow, Harvard Medical School, and Dr. Kiyooki Watanabe, hematology fellow, School of Medicine at Keio University, Japan, were not available for this picture.



Residents in anatomic pathology are: (first row l. - r.) Dr. Marcelo Alvarenga, chief, Faculdade de Medicina da Universidade Federal do Parana, Brazil; Dr. Tadaaki Eimoto, Tokyo University, Japan; Dr. Yangja Jung, Pusan National University, Korea; Dr. Ernest Lack, University of Minnesota Medical School; (second row l. - r.) Dr. Barbara J. Chaffee, College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University; Dr. Avrum Stein, Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine, and Dr. David Kaminsky, New York Medical College. Dr. Benjamin L. Blend, University of Texas SW Medical School, and Dr. Arnold S. Hartman, State University of New York Upstate Medical Center, were not available for the photograph.



Clinical pathology residents relax for a moment outside of Palmer building. They are: (l. - r.) Dr. Khalid Butt, Dacca Medical College, Pakistan; Dr. Mehman Shahbazi, Tebran Medical School, Iran; Dr. John Darrow, Georgetown University Medical School; Dr. Tsieh Sun, Hunan (Yale-in-China) Medical College; Dr. Stanford Kurtz, Boston University School of Medicine, and Dr. Stylianos Lomvardias, University of Virginia.

Over 100 house officers began a year of training and service on July 1 — the traditional date when the new year begins for physicians in house officer training programs. Interns, residents and fellows come every year to the Deaconess from around the world in pursuit of their professional education. They offer a zest for knowledge that helps the hospital continue to grow as a teaching institution.

It is a pleasure to welcome this year's group of talented doctors to the Deaconess, but we are sorry to see many members of last year's house staff leave the hospital as they continue their education or begin their practice.

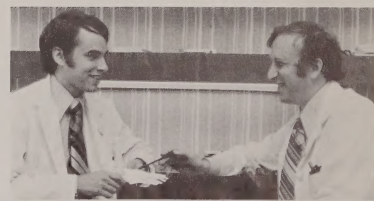
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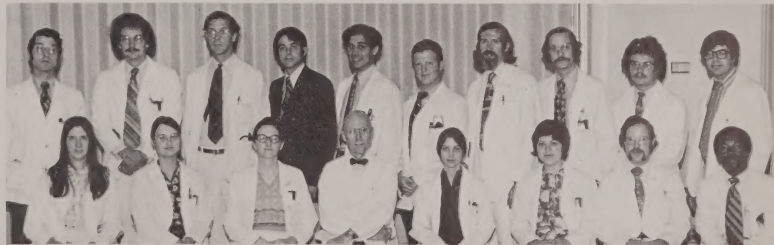
LEFT: Grouped around Dr. James Tullis, chairman of the department of medicine, are junior assistant residents: (sitting l. - r.) Dr. Wanda Moore, University of Queensland, Australia; Dr. Mary L. Miller, Medical College of Pennsylvania; Dr. Mary A. Totten, University of Kansas; Dr. Cheryl Birchette, Meharry Medical College; Dr. Alicja Starzyk, Medical Academy, Cracow, Poland; (standing l. - r.) Dr. Robert E. Timberlake, University of Rochester; Dr. Richard Edwards, University of Pittsburgh; Dr. Thomas E. Noble, New York Medical College; Dr. Alan Malone, Stanford University; Dr. Leo Cass, Dartmouth Medical School; Dr. Seth M. Lewin, Georgetown University; Dr. Russell Kussman, Boston University; Dr. Peter Gailunas, Jr., Loyola University, and Dr. James J. Woods, Jr., University of California at San Francisco. Dr. Paul Blando, State University of New York Upstate Medical Center, was not available.



Senior assistant residents in medicine are: (sitting l. - r.) Dr. Judith Feldman, Medical College of Pennsylvania; Dr. Arturo Rolla, chief resident, Catholic University of Cordoba, Argentina; Dr. Allen Weiss, resident on rotation from Peter Bent Brigham Hospital; (standing l. - r.) Dr. Larry Weinrauch, University of Montpellier, France; Dr. Regis Anthony DeSilva, University of Malaya; Dr. Robert Pieroni, Pennsylvania State University Medical School; Dr. Antoine Kaldany, French Faculty of Medicine, and Dr. Joao Azevedo, State University of Guanabara. Dr. Pamela Etuk, McGill University, was not available at the time this picture was taken.



Second year podiatry resident (r.) Dr. Robert Levine, Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine, enjoys a light-hearted discussion with Dr. Robert Donovan, Illinois College of Podiatric Medicine, first year resident.

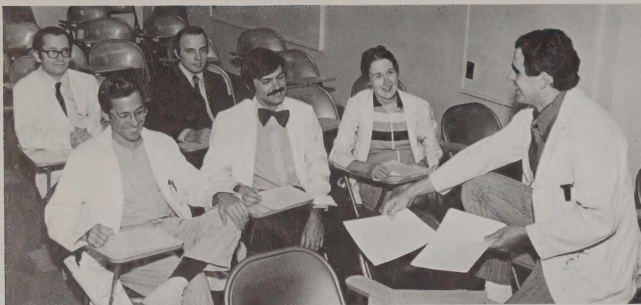


Interns in the department of medicine with Dr. James Tullis, chairman of the department, are: (sitting l. - r.) Dr. Joanne Zumwalt Mambretti, College of Medicine of New Jersey at Newark; Dr. Deanna Richer, Harvard Medical School; Dr. Ruth Sampson, Tufts University School of Medicine; Dr. Tullis; Dr. Gayle Patterson, University of Texas Medical Branch; Dr. Beverly Philip and Dr. James Philip, State University of New York Upstate Medical Center; Dr. William Anderson, University of Iowa; (standing l. - r.) Dr. Joseph Tapogna, Georgetown University,

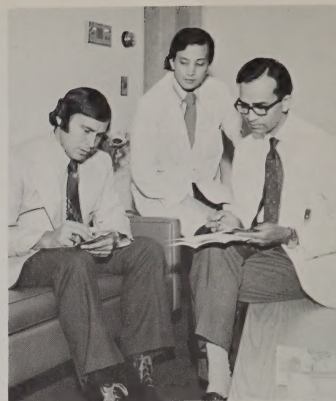
Dr. David Webb, Tufts University School of Medicine; Dr. Gerald Yakevich, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine; Dr. John Donovan, D.P.M., Illinois College of Podiatric Medicine; Dr. Bruce Gillers, New York Medical College; Dr. T. Curtis Campbell, Harvard Medical School; Dr. Grier Merwin, Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons; Dr. Craig Markert, New York Medical College; Dr. Mark Stilphen, Northwestern University, and Dr. Wayne Wild, Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons.

New house officer year begins ...

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LEFT: Dr. Robert Lobelenz, (r.), chief thoracic surgery resident, Tufts New England Medical School, reviews some material with (first row l. - r.) Dr. Myles Lee, Tufts New England Medical School; Dr. George Spoto, University of Pennsylvania; Dr. Anne Redfern, Harvard Medical School; (second row l. - r.) Dr. Nabum Halperin, Hadassah University, Israel, and Dr. Hugo Gomez-Engler, University of Litoral Medical School, Argentina.



Urology residents review their surgery schedules. They are Dr. Sidney Feldman, Tufts Medical School; Dr. Jose Villaneuva, chief urology resident, University of St. Thomas, and Dr. Ayas Durrani, Dow Medical College, Pakistan.



LEFT: Diabetes fellows who began their year of specialized training on July 1 are: (sitting l. - r.) Dr. Esperanza Icasas-Cabral, University of the Philippines; Dr. Michael Kussman, chief diabetes fellow, Boston University School of Medicine; Dr. Helen Scoblic, Marquette University School of Medicine; (standing l. - r.) Dr. Daniel Conrado, Puebla University Medical School, Mexico; Dr. Alberta DeLeiva, Facultad de Medicina de Barcelona, Spain; Dr. Majed Monded, Syrian University School of Medicine, and Dr. Poondy Raman, M.G.M. Medical College, India.

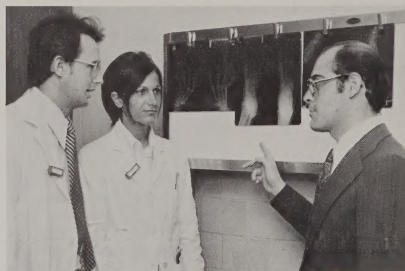


General surgery residents currently on rotation at the Deaconess are: Dr. Alan Abrams, senior chief, Johns Hopkins Medical School; Dr. William Flynn, Jr., junior chief, Yale Medical School; Dr. David Geison, Temple University Medical School; Dr. Andrew Grimes and Dr. Richard Peinert, Harvard Medical School.



Dr. David Gillon, chief cardiology fellow, Habnemann Medical College, discusses this year's program with other cardiology fellows: Dr. Youssef Makar, Alexandria University Medical College, Egypt; Dr. Mario Trindade, School of Medicine of Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Dr.

Steven Draskoczy, Medical School of Budapest, Hungary, and Dr. Mark Highman, University of California at San Francisco. Dr. Sa'd Tugan, American University of Beirut, Lebanon, was not available for the photograph.



LEFT: Dr. Peter Tutschka, University of Tebran, Iran, and Dr. Mabvab Rafii, University of Vienna, Italy, residents in diagnostic radiology, consult with Dr. Jose Maldonado (r.), Catholic University of Cordoba, Argentina, Deaconess-Labey rheumatology fellow.



Deaconess-Labey gastroenterology fellows exchange impressions of their first few days at the two institutions. They are: Dr. Michael Richmond, State University of New York Upstate Medical Center; Dr. Mahin Shamsad, Tebran Medical School, Iran; Dr. Arthur Gert-

ler, University of Pittsburgh Medical School; Dr. Rakesh Saxena, chief gastroenterology fellow, College of Medical Science at Varamasi, India, and Dr. Soong Park, Kyung Pook University, Korea.



Residents in radiation therapy are: (first row l. - r.) Dr. Donald Weiss, chief, University of Colorado; Dr. Cleo Dymott, Loma Linda University; Dr. Diana F. Nelson, State University of New York Downstate Medical College; Dr. Robert Goodman, Columbia University; (second row l. - r.) Dr. Leslie E. Bornick,

New York Medical College; Dr. Jay R. Harris, Stanford University; Dr. Melvyn Richter, Habnemann Medical College; Dr. Anantha Murthy, Mysore Medical College, India; Dr. William Bloomer, Jefferson Medical College, and Dr. Ralph Weichselbaum, University of Illinois.

Employees in action...

Mrs. Carol Barrett, and Mrs. Sandra Scaccia, R.N.s and instructors in the NEDH School of Nursing, attended a seminar, April 24, on "Child-bearing Practices in Transition" sponsored by the Boston Association for Childbirth Education, Boston.

Mr. Edmund Beyer, administrative assistant in nursing, attended a workshop on staffing hospitals, March 22 and 23 in Lexington, Mass.

Mrs. Maisie B. Brangman, R.N., third year instructor in the NEDH School of Nursing, and Miss Doreene Nicholas, R.N. in the coronary care unit attended a workshop entitled "Current Concepts of Myocardial Revascularization Implications for Nursing," April 3 and 4, sponsored by the Greater Boston Chapter of the Massachusetts Heart Association, in Boston.

Mrs. M. Eleanor Clapp, assistant to Executive Vice President R. D.

Lowry, and Miss Gail Graham, administrative secretary to Director Richard E. Lee, attended the annual meeting of the Massachusetts Hospital Association's Administrators' Secretaries, held in conjunction with MHA's meeting in Eastham, Mass., on June 6-8. Mrs. Clapp is immediate past president of the association and Miss Graham was elected treasurer of the group at the June meeting.

Mrs. Anne Davidson, R.N. in the NEDH Stoma Rehabilitation Clinic, lectured at the Newport School of Nursing, R. I., about stoma care on June 7. She presented an in-service education program on the same topic, June 14, to the Dorchester Visiting Nurse Association.

Mr. Richard E. Lee, director, was elected treasurer of the Massachusetts Hospital Association at the association's meeting, June 6-8 in Eastham, Mass.

Mrs. Theresa Maurer, medical technologist certified by the American Association of Clinical Pathologists (ASCP) and assistant supervisor of the blood bank, and Miss Karen Sueper, MT (ASCP), became certified in blood banking by the Registry of Medical Technologists (ASCP) and the American Association of Blood Banks in the late spring.

Mr. Stanley Paxton, general and cost accountant since 1969, was promoted to the position of assistant controller in early July.

Mr. Colin Murphy and Mr. David McLean, maintenance and engineering, received their bachelor's degrees from Northeastern University at the June 17 commencement ceremony.

Miss Margaret Putney, R.N., instructor in the NEDH School of Nursing, attended a workshop on "Drug Therapy in Nursing Practice," May 2 and 3, at Northeastern University, Boston.

Miss Elaine K. Sherwood, R.N., unit teacher in the intensive and coronary care units, attended an electrocardiography workshop, sponsored by the Rogers Heart Foundation, Inc., June 11-16, in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Friends bid farewell to Mrs. Ruth Vincent

Mrs. Ruth Vincent, medical record department admission's typist, retired at the end of June following 22½ years of employment. She was greeted by her friends and co-workers at a special tea, June 29, in the cafeteria conference area. At the party, Mr. Peter Campisano, assistant director, presented Mrs. Vincent with a clock for the mantle over her fireplace.

A medical record employee since 1951, Mrs. Vincent was responsible for initiating hospital records for all new Deaconess in-house patients. In addition, she completed all work on outpatient records.

Mrs. Vincent's association with the Deaconess Hospital began as a part-time enterprise in January 1951. During her part-time employment at NEDH, Mrs. Vincent also worked at Phillips Congregational Church, Watertown, as a secretary. She remains active in church work although she no longer volunteers her secretarial services.

In 1924, Mrs. Vincent received a certificate in secretarial arts from Boston University. After a year's employment at Harvard Business School, she worked for Ginn and Company, a



Mrs. Ruth Vincent (ctr.) greets Miss Louise Seymour (r.), medical record department manager who retired in January, and Miss Margaret Marbul, current department manager.

publishing house in Cambridge, for five years.

Born and raised in Watertown, Mrs. Vincent married Carroll Vincent, a native of Cornwall, England, in 1930. They have one daughter, Dorothy; a granddaughter and twin grandsons.

Retirement plans remain fairly flexible for the Vincents. Future plans include traveling in the United States and in England. Mrs. Vincent sews some of her clothes, but tatting is her favorite hobby.

Annual picnic closes 1973 bowling season



Mr. Paul Torres (l.), employment counselor, and Mr. Jay McCormick, maintenance and engineering employee, glance over a map of the golf course terrain before teeing off at Glen Ellen Country Club, Millis. They were two of several NEDH employees who attended an afternoon of sports and an evening feast, June 21, to celebrate the end of the bowling season.

Mr. Ward retires at the end of June

Mr. Melvin Ward retired from the maintenance and engineering department on June 29. During a party in the department's workshop, Mr. Hubert Sycamore, assistant director, presented Mr. Ward with a two-burner propane stove for cooking out-of-doors.

When Mr. Ward began to work at NEDH in 1961, he was assigned first to the day shift and then to the weekend shift (Wednesday through Sunday). About four years later, he transferred to the night shift (4 p.m. to 12 midnight). The only maintenance and engineering employee on duty during those hours, Mr. Ward kept

the entire hospital in operational order, answering between 5 and 20 service calls every night.

Mr. Ward was self-employed as a contract painter before joining the Deaconess' employ. During World War II, he was an electrician at Quincy Naval Shipyard.

After marrying Gladys Kinsman in 1931, Mr. Ward, a proficient carpenter, built their house in Natick, Mass. The Wards have three daughters and five grandchildren, all of whom live in Massachusetts.

An advocate of Cape Cod life since 1929 when he first visited the peninsula, Mr. Ward and his wife have chosen East Falmouth as their retirement residence. Since moving into their new home in early May, Mr. Ward has kept busy with various carpentry and other home-improvement projects. The Wards own a camper trailer which has accommodated them on excursions to Arizona and Florida.



Mr. Melvin Ward (ctr.) visits with two longtime friends from the maintenance and engineering department; Mr. Dennis Trayers (l.) and Mr. James Lussier.

Messenger-mail services to combine on Deaconess 1

Renovations within the hospital seem endless as improvements in structure continue to make working conditions more pleasant and production more efficient. One of the most notable current renovations is the messenger-mail service on Deaconess 1. It is located in the area formerly occupied by the barber shop and extension shell.

Scheduled to open in August, the messenger-mail service offers physical surroundings that will enable the two services to combine some of their delivery efforts. A dispatcher or expeditor will coordinate the completion of requested messenger services with the delivery of flowers and some mail to the nursing stations.

Combination-lock mail boxes for house officers will be recessed into the right wall of the mailroom entry corridor so the physicians do not have to enter the mailroom to check their mail boxes. New sorting racks, dump tables and scales will enable mailroom personnel to work more efficiently.

After it is sorted, mail for the nursing-care units will be placed in slot boxes that form a partial wall between the two services. This arrangement will enable messengers, going to a nursing floor on rounds or errands, to check the appropriate mail slot and take with them any mail for the floor. On weekends and holidays, the slot boxes will make possible improved circulation of inter-office mail to the nursing units.

In conjunction with renovations for the eye research division of the Joslin Clinic, during the second week of July, the laser-beam instruments and the personnel in that division were moved to temporary quarters on Deaconess 2. The clinic's renovations will provide a new entrance to the research unit.

A conference room on the fifth floor of 110 Francis Street is nearing its final stages of completion. Located adjacent to the public relations office and across the hall from the executive vice president's office, it will accommodate 24 individuals.

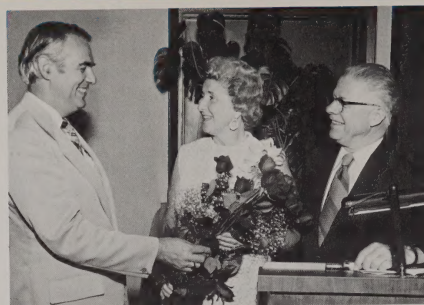
Service award recipients at buffet represent 390 years

Twenty-one employees received service award pins, and Miss Katherine Waters, receptionist at the Farr information desk, received a dozen long-stem roses, at a buffet luncheon on June 27, in the Riverview Restaurant. A total of 390 years of service to the hospital were represented by the award recipients. The elegant roses and a lovely orchid corsage were given to Miss Waters in lieu of a 45-year service award pin.

The June 27 buffet was the first service award's event since the annual award dinner, April 26. Those recipients attending the luncheon reached milestone years of employment during May, June and July. Before presenting the pins, Executive Vice President R. D. Lowry and Director Richard E. Lee expressed appreciation to the guests for their loyal and responsible service. Mr. Lowry shared historical anecdotes of particular significance to the award recipients.



Flanked by Director Richard Lee (l.) and Executive Vice President R. D. Lowry are recipients of five-year service award pins. They are: (sitting l. - r.) Mrs. Mary Lee Devine and Mrs. Rose Feiner, building services; Miss Maureen A. Sherry, pathology; Mrs. Patricia Celeste, pharmacy service; Miss Sandra Nordstrom and Miss Barbara J. Merrill, nursing services; (standing l. - r.) Mr. Domenic A. Colella, administration; Dr. Raymond Maguire, pathology; Mr. Richard W. Mitchell, data processing; Mr. Angelo A. Derocco, maintenance, and Mr. Robert Pence, administration.



Miss Katherine V. Waters, administrative services, receives a dozen long-stem red roses at the June 27 award luncheon from Director Richard E. Lee (l.) and Executive Vice President R. D. Lowry. Miss Waters has worked at the hospital for 45 years.



Twenty-five year award pin recipients pose with Director Richard E. Lee (standing l.) and Executive Vice President R. D. Lowry (standing r.). They are: (sitting l. - r.) Mrs. Mary M. Sullivan, dietary; Miss Marjorie M. LeBeau, administrative services; Miss Joan Randle, NEDH School of Nursing, and (standing ctr.) Mr. James J. Halligan, laundry.



Miss Ora M. Smith, building services, and Mrs. Ethel H. Buggs, nursing service, received ten-year service award pins, and Mr. Kenneth H. McGuire, medical records, and Dr. Harry Bailly, diagnostic radiology, were given award pins for 15 years of service to the hospital.

Dr. W. Eugene Knox, Cancer Research Institute, and Mrs. Juanita Gonzales, laundry, received award pins for 20 years of service at the June 27 luncheon. They are flanked by Director Richard E. Lee (l.) and Executive Vice President R. D. Lowry.

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